**#1 George Washington**



**Early Life**

* born on February 22, 1732
* father died when he was 11 years old
* had little schooling, taught himself to be a woodsman, surveyor, and a mapmaker

**French and Indian War**

* he joined the Virginia Militia as a young man
* he and six others tried to settle a land dispute between the French and British
* this led to a battle
* Washington became a colonel and a leader of Virginia's Militia
* British eventually won the French and Indian War

**Presidency**

* unanimously elected as the 1st president of the United States
* he severed 2 terms from April 30, 1789 to March 4, 1797
* his vice president was John Adams
* the only man to receive a unanimous vote from the electoral college

**Facts**

* he wore false teeth made from hippopotamus ivory
* he grew up to be six foot tall which was unusual in this time period

**Successful?**

* to this day he is said to have been the greatest president to ever serve and one of the most influential founding fathers

**Death**

* died on December 14, 1799 at his home Mount Vernon
* after his death, the nation's capital was moved from Philadelphia to a place close to his home and was named Washington, District of Columbia in his honor

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